ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

NEWS RELEASE



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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today that the following areas will be open to purse seining during the times and in the areas listed below.

District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Wednesday, August 16, through 8:00 p.m., Thursday, August 17, 2017:

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.45′ N. latitude, 131°18.90′ W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Harbor Point to Point Davison Light then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restriction:

Boca de Quadra: will be closed east of a line from Quadra Point to Kah Shakes Point.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 16, 2017:

District 2: will be open south of the northernmost tip of Polk Island located at 55°00.73′ N. latitude with the following restriction:

Moira Sound: all waters will be closed.

District 3

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 16, 2017:

Section 3-C: will be open with the following restrictions:

<u>Holbrook Arm, Van Sant Cove, and contiguous waters</u>: will be closed north and west of a line from Limestone Point Light to the southernmost tip of Holbrook Point located at 56°00.30′ N. latitude, 133°28.64′ W. longitude;

<u>Tokeen Bay</u>: all waters will be closed east of the southernmost tip of Holbrook Point located at 133°28.64′ W. longitude.

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Wednesday, August 16, through 8:00 p.m., Thursday, August 17, 2017:

Section 3-A: will be open south of the northernmost tip of Round Point at 55°07.63′ N. latitude with the following restrictions:

<u>Dall Island Shore</u>: will be closed west of a line from the southernmost tip of Reef Point located at 55°03.62′ N. latitude, 132°58.33′ W. longitude to Shoe Island Light to the westernmost tip of Datzkoo Point located at 54°43.80′ N. latitude, 132°41.83′ W. longitude;

<u>Hassiah Inlet and Mabel Bay</u>: will be closed east of 132°35.00′ W. longitude and south of the northernmost tip of Helen Island;

Kassa Inlet: will be closed east of Kassa Point located at 132°31.62′ W. longitude;

<u>Klakas Inlet</u>: will be closed north of 54°57.20′ N. latitude at the southernmost entrance to Max Cove;

Max Cove: all waters will be closed;

<u>Nutkwa Inlet</u>: will be closed north of the southernmost tip of Lime Point at 55°03.16′ N. latitude.

Section 3-B: will be open west of a line from the southernmost tip of Point Desconocida located at 55°41.64′ N. latitude, 133°31.71′ W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Point Animas located at 55°32.06′ N. latitude, 133°27.37′ W. longitude to the southwesternmost tip of Point Arboleda located at 55°19.11′ N. latitude, 133°27.80′ W. longitude.

District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Wednesday, August, 16 through 8:00 p.m., Thursday, August 17, 2017:

District 4: will be open.

District 5

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Wednesday, August 16, through 8:00 p.m., Thursday, August 17, 2017:

District 5: will be open south of a line from Point Amelius to the westernmost Barrier Island then due east to Prince of Wales Island and north of a line from Cape Decision to Cape Pole.

District 7

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 16, 2017:

Section 7-B: will be open.

District 9

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Wednesday, August 16, through 8:00 p.m., Thursday, August 17, 2017:

Section 9-B: will be open with the following restrictions:

Eliza Harbor: will be closed north of a line from Sharp Point to Deepwater Point;

<u>Murder Cove</u>: will be closed north of a line from Bartlett Point to the southernmost tip of Carroll Island;

<u>Keku Strait and Port Camden</u>: will be closed south of a line from Cornwallis Point Light to Point Macartney Light;

<u>Gedney Harbor</u>: will be closed east of a line from Swaine Point to Point Cosmos;

Rowan Bay: will be closed east of a line from 56°39.10′ N. latitude, 134°16.62′ W. longitude to 56°39.47′ N. latitude, 134°17.25′ W. longitude;

<u>Bay of Pillars</u>: will be closed east of a line from Point Ellis to Point Ellis Light to a point between Rowan Bay and Bay of Pillars at 56°37.42′ N. latitude, 134°16.62′ W. longitude.

District 10

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Wednesday, August 16, through 8:00 p.m., Thursday, August 17, 2017:

Frederick Sound: will be open south and east of a line from Cape Fanshaw Light to Turnabout Island Light then due west to the District 9 boundary line and west of line from a regulatory marker on Bay Point at 57°06.39′ N. latitude, 133°18.85′ W. longitude to West Point with the following restriction:

<u>Kupreanof Island shoreline</u>: will be closed within 2 nautical miles of the Kupreanof Island shoreline east of the longitude of westernmost tip of Schooner Island.

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Admiralty Island shoreline with the following restrictions:

<u>Pybus Bay</u>: will be closed north of a line from the southernmost tip of Elliot Island to Point Pybus;

<u>Gambier Bay</u>: will be closed north of the latitude of Gambier Island Light with all waters of Snug Cove closed.

District 12

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Wednesday, August 16, through 8:00 p.m., Thursday, August 17, 2017:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following areas:

Point Augusta: will be open within 2 nautical miles from the Chichagof Island shoreline and north of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63′ N. latitude (located 1 nautical mile south of Point Augusta Light);

Chichagof Island: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Chichagof Island shoreline south of East Point at 57°48.33′ N. latitude and north of Point Hayes, including the waters of Tenakee Inlet;

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of the latitude of **Point Couverden at 58°11.39′ N. latitude** and north of Parker Point at 57°36.73′ N. latitude, and **south of the latitude of Point Samuel** (Hood Bay, Chaik Bay, Whitewater Bay, and Wilson Cove to normal markers);

Hidden Falls THA: will be open in the waters of Chatham Strait within the boundaries of a line from South Point, as indicated by a marker at 57°16.28′ N. latitude, 134°51.78′ W. longitude to a point offshore at 57°16.28′ N. latitude, 134°48.00′ W. longitude, then running south to a point offshore at 57°06.76′ N. latitude, 134°43.00′ W. longitude then due west to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°06.76′ N. latitude, 134°47.50′ W. longitude with the following restriction:

<u>Kasnyku Bay</u>: will be closed west of a line from 57°13.32′ N. latitude, 134°50.94′ W. longitude to 57°12.66′ N. latitude, 134°51.38′ W. longitude.

District 13

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Wednesday, August 16, through 8:00 p.m., Thursday, August 17, 2017:

Section 13-A: will be open in the following areas:

Lisianski Inlet and Lisianski Strait: will be open south of a line from the northernmost tip of Soapstone Point to the westernmost tip of Column Point and in Lisianski Strait north of the latitude of Point Theodore with the following restrictions:

Stag Bay: will be closed southeast of a line from 57°55.00′ N. latitude, 136°18.28′ W. longitude to 57°54.79′ N. latitude, 136°18.79′ W. longitude;

<u>Lisianski Inlet</u>: will be closed between 57°54.54′ N. latitude and 57°54.00′ N. latitude (near Phonograph Creek), between 136 °06.31′ W. longitude and 136°05.67′ W. longitude (near Steelhead Creek and closed east of 136°03.09′W. longitude.

Portlock Harbor, Ogden Passage, Smooth Channel, Khaz Bay, Lake Anna, Sisters Lake, and Slocum Arm: will be open east of a line from Khaz Point to Ninefoot Shoal Light to the southernmost tip of Herbert Graves Island to Point Hogan to the light located on the southern tip of Hill Island and then due north to the Chichagof Island shoreline with the following restrictions:

Klag Bay: will be closed north of Rose Point;

<u>Sister Lake:</u> will be closed east of a line from 57°38.11′ N. latitude, 136°00.36′ W. longitude to 57°37.58′ N. latitude, 136°00.00′ W. longitude;

Black Bay: will be closed east of 136°07.90′ W. longitude;

Goulding Harbor: will be closed east of 136°14.17′ W. longitude.

Salisbury Sound and Peril Strait: will be open east of the longitude of Kalinin Point with the following restrictions:

St. John Baptist Bay: will be closed east of the longitude of Zeal Point;

Sukoi Inlet: will be closed south of a line from Hayward Point to Sukoi Point;

Fish Bay: will be closed east of 135°35.16′ W. longitude.

Section 13-B: will be open in the following areas:

Sitka Sound and contiguous waters: will be open north of a line from Inner Point on the Kruzof Island shoreline at 57°05.50′ N. latitude, 135°34.28′ W. longitude to the westernmost tip of Sasedni Island with the following restrictions:

<u>Starrigavin Bay and Mosquito Cove</u>: will be closed east of a line from Harbor Point to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°08.78′ N. latitude, 135°22.55′ W. longitude;

Olga Strait: will be closed north of 57°11.00′ N. latitude and south of the latitude of Creek Point;

<u>Nakwasina Sound</u>: will be closed northeast of a line from a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°10.58′ N. latitude, 135°24.81′ W. longitude to the easternmost tip of Crosswise Island to the northernmost tip of Beehive Island then due west to the Halleck Island shoreline.

West Crawfish Inlet and Shamrock Bay: will be open east of 135°16.00′ W. longitude and south of 56°50.00′ N. latitude.

Whale Bay: will be open east of 135°03.00′ W. longitude with the following restrictions:

Small Arm: will be closed north of 56°38.30′ N. latitude (entrance of Small Arm);

Great Arm: will be closed north of 56°41.10′ N. latitude.

Redfish Bay will be closed.

Section 13-C: will be open with the following restrictions:

Sitkoh Bay and Florence Bay: will be closed north of a line from Point Craven to Point Hayes;

Rodman Bay: will be closed southeast of a line from Point Elizabeth to Point Benham;

<u>Hoonah Sound North Arm and Peril Strait</u>: will be closed north of a line from 57°28.83′ N. latitude, 135°06.62′ W. longitude to Pederson Point (on Moser Island).

District 14

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m., Wednesday, August 16, through 8:00 p.m., Thursday, August 17, 2017:

Section 14-A: will be open in the following area:

Idaho Inlet: will be open south of a line from a point at 58°12.51′ N. latitude, 136°09.78′ W. longitude to a point at 58°12.46′ N. latitude, 136°16.39′ W. longitude and north of a line from a point at 58°08.29′ N. latitude, 136°10.18′ W. longitude, to a point at 58°08.28′ N. latitude, 136°11.92′ W. longitude.

Section 14-B: will be open south of the latitude of Crist Point.

Section 14-C: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Chichagof Island shoreline.

<u>King Salmon Landing Restrictions</u>: For all Southeast Alaska waters, king salmon 28 inches or greater in length MAY NOT be retained and sold. King salmon greater than 21 inches and less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. King salmon 21 inches or less may be retained and sold.

The next seine announcement will be issued on Friday, August 18, 2017.

Copies of the "2017 Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Fishery Management Plan" may be obtained at department area offices listed below and can be downloaded on the department's website at: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon_managementplans.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this news release is EO 1S5317.

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Office	Ketchikan	Petersburg	Wrangell	Sitka	Juneau	Haines	Hoonah	Yakutat
ADF&G	225-5195	772-3801	874-3822	747-6688	465-4250	766-2830		784-3255
AWT	225-5111	772-3983	874-3215	747-3254	465-4000		945-3620	

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates Statistical Week 32

Preliminary Estimates Compiled August 14, 2017 for the mid-week opening.

		NUM					
Area	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats
District 1	0	300	300	45,000	500	46,100	6
District 3	0	1,600	500	100,000	1,900	104,000	10
District 4	0	8,000	1,200	195,000	3,500	207,700	20
District 5	0	1,500	500	170,000	4,500	176,500	14
Section 9-B	0	3,000	5,000	950,000	11,000	969,000	68
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	1,000	3,900	207,000	5,000	216,900	20
Tenakee/Basket Bay	0	450	1,200	139,000	1,300	141,950	13
W. Admiralty shore	0	2,700	2,100	304,000	7,500	316,300	33
SW Admiralty shore	0	650	1,200	291,000	4,900	297,750	17
Hidden Falls THA	0	200	2,000	137,000	2,700	141,900	8
Section 13-A	0	1,900	2,300	750,000	13,000	767,200	50
Deep Inlet THA	0	50	100	24,000	165,000	189,150	28

	FISH PER BOAT							
Area	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total		
District 1	0	50	50	7,500	83	7,683		
District 3	0	160	50	10,000	190	10,400		
District 4	0	400	60	9,750	175	10,385		
District 5	0	107	36	12,143	321	12,607		
Section 9-B	0	44	74	13,971	162	14,250		
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	50	195	10,350	250	10,845		
Tenakee/Basket Bay	0	35	92	10,692	100	10,919		
W. Admiralty shore	0	82	64	9,212	227	9,585		
SW Admiralty shore	0	38	71	17,118	288	17,515		
Hidden Falls THA	0	25	250	17,125	338	17,738		
Section 13-A	0	38	46	15,000	260	15,344		
Deep Inlet THA	0	2	4	857	5,893	6,755		

21,350

20,300

3,312,000

220,800

3,574,450

287

Kendrick Bay THA harvest to date: 122,000 chum salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 9,000 king and 140,000 chum salmon.

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Confidential: Districts 7 and 10, Sections 13-B and 13-C.

No reported harvest: District 2.

Total